## Telegraphic News.

### FROM KENTUCKY.

St. Louis. Dec. 24.—Advices have been received by Gen. Curtis from Brig. Gen. Davies, commanding Columbus, Ky., to the effect that ite is receiving reinforcements in ample season to prepare him against the contingencies of an attack upon that post.

He don't think that any attack is meditated

by the enemy on that direction.

As to the injury said to have been done to the railroad, Gen. Davies has not fully ascertained the extent. but expects to retake it at once.

CINCINATTI DEC. 24.—Advices from Lexington, Ky., report that fears exist of a raid by Gen. Floyd and Humphrey Marshall, who are in large force, from Western Virginia. They are rapidly advancing through Pound Gap.

A movement of Federal troops has taken place from Richmond, (Ky.) that will relieve Eastern Kentucky of this invasion.

A resolution looking to the removal of C. G. Kennedy, Superintendent of the Census Bureau, has passed the House of Representatives -the proceeding being passed on a private letter written by Mr. Kennedy to Hon. Jacob Thompson, Secretary of the Interior under Mr. Buchanan's Administration, after Mr. T. had gone home to Mississippi. This letter was found among the private correspondence of Mr. Thompson, lately taken possession of in Mississippi by Federal agents, and refers principally to a family and social acquaintance, though one or two facts are mentioned, without any apparent feeling or bias, in connection with the working of affairs in his department under the new Administration. The letter appears to have been written, too, at the instance of Mr. Kennedy's wife, with the view of giving expression to private friendship for Mr. T. and his lady.

The Committe on the Conduct of the War, examined yesterday General Halleck, General Meigs, General Woodbury of the Engineers, and General Haupt, of the Transportation Department, upon matters connected with the battle of Fredericksburg. Their testimony is in the main confirmatory of that of Gen. Burnside and the commanders of the three grand divisions. Gen. Halleck stated to the committee, in answer to interrogatories, that General McClellan had advised the preparation of bridges in advance. The bridges were not sent forward, however, for fear they would be captured before the army reached that place .-The Baltimore American says, if the evidence so far reported "the reader will find in the unwillingness of General Burnside to take command of the army a proof of the modesty that belongs to merit, and in the subsequent plans that he developed an assurrance of suceess. Unfortunately all those plans were destroyed by the criminal negligence of somebody at Washington, who first neglected to order, and afterwards failed to hasten the forwarding of the pontoon trains.

LIBERTY HALL.—Mr. Parker promises a rich treat to-night at the Varieties an entire new bill being announced for Christmas Eve. Miss Fanny Forrest the charming vocalist, Dick Parker Misses LaFolle and La Forrest, and messrs. Kearns Armstrong and the entire company appear in a capital performance.

### FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Philadelphia Inquirer.]

It is rumored that the President will tender Speaker Grow, of Pennsylvania, a seat in the Cabinet as Secretary of the Interior. This will provide for Indiana by giving Mr. Colfax the Speakership.

The bill admitting the new State of West Virginia was never sent to the President in an official form until yesterday, from which time the ten days commence within which it becomes a law, if not vetoed. Representative Blair, of Virginia, called on the President yes terday, but failed to ascertain what he intends to do in the matter.

Governor Peirpoint writes that its rejection will be disastrous upon the Union men who have been true through all the trials they have been subjected to. Ex-Governor Randail's name was sent to the Senate to-day as First Assistant Postmaster-General.

Gen. Foster, in an additional despatch received to-day in regard to the capture of Goldsboro', states that he learns that the Confederates are advancing in large force, estimated at 25,000, for the purpose of driving him from his position. He believes himself strong enough to hold out until reinforcements arrive.

#### MIED.

On the 24th instant, in the 65th year of her age, LUCINDA, relict of the late Henry Mansfield, of this city. She was a christian and died the death of the righteous. All who knew her, loved her. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon, at 3 clock, from the residence of her son-in-law, Emanuel Francis, on St. Asaph, between Duke and Wolfe streets, to which her friends are invited.

At Mount Hope, near Baltimore, Md., after a lingering illness, in the 33d year of his age, CHARLES W. NEALE, eldest son of Chas. L. and Ann Neale, of Alexandria, Va.

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WANTED TO RENT.—A small DWELL-ING HOUSE, or three or four small rooms, suitable for a small family, second floor would answer, locality desired near Government wheelwright and blacksmith shops Address [dec 23—3t\*] G. M., at this office. In the McDowell Court of Inquiry, yesterday, Gen. Sigel, upon his own request, underwent a critical examination into the nature of the charges he had preferred against General McDowell last Saturday. He did not mean to the latter's loyalty; but to point out, though unwillingly, the occasions when Gen. McDowell had, in his judgment, displayed incapacity.

Referring to McDowell's conduct at Thoroughfare Gai, he stated that the bulk of McD.'s army was encamped but a short distance therefrom, that the roads were good, and the only force required to hold it would have been about 10,000 men. These have easily retarded the enemy for a day, and so have utterly deranged his movements. He also charged upon Gen. McDowell a want of attention to the positions of his (Sigel's) corps, with which McDowell was at that time co-operating, and a want of discretion in bringing his troops into action in the battle of Mannassas.

CENTRE MARKET.—Those who want something nice for Christmas in the way of meats, poultry or vegetables, can procure them at 179 King Street, where Messrs. HYATT & Co., have a large stock of the finest quality for the occasion.

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